

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order:

Chairman Bill Wilson, on January 28, 2009 at 8:31 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bill Wilson, Chairman (D)
Rep. Michele Reinhart, Vice Chairwoman (D)
Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Rep. Shannon Augare (D)
Rep. Paul Beck (D)
Rep. Tom Berry (R)
Rep. Carlie Boland (D)
Rep. John Fleming (D)
Rep. Timothy Furey (D)
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)
Rep. Harry Klock (R)
Rep. Mike Milburn (R)
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)
Rep. Scott Reichner (R)
Rep. Cary Smith (R)
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)
Rep. Jeffery Welborn (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Bill Beck, Vice Chairman (R), Rep. Shannon Augare (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Santella Baglivo, Committee Secretary
Bart Campbell, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 326, 1/22/2009, HB 323 1/22/2009

Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 326

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:01 Rep. Scott Mendenhall (R), HD 77, opened the hearing on HB 326, Require signatures on construction lien releases.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:01 Carl Schweitzer, American Subcontractors Association
[EXHIBIT\(buh20a01\)](#)

00:12:16 Margaret Morgan, Greater Montana Independent Electrical Contractors

00:13:16 Stuart Doggett, Montana Land Title Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:14:00 Rep. Berry

00:14:30 Mr. Schweitzer

00:15:09 Rep. Hunter

00:15:17 Chairman Wilson

Closing by Sponsor:

00:15:27 Rep. Mendenhall

HEARING ON HB 323

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:17:42 Rep. Dennis Himmelberger (R), HD 47, opened the hearing on HB 323, Revise law on uninsured motorists.

[EXHIBIT\(buh20a02\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:24:19 Roger Daniel, Farmers Insurance, Billings

00:27:20 Rep. Fleming enters.

00:27:58 Ed Melcher, Self

EXHIBIT(buh20a03)

00:36:40 Dwight Easton, Farmers Insurance Company

Opponents' Testimony:

00:39:57 Greg VanHorssen, State Farm Insurance Company

Informational Testimony:

00:47:43 Brenda Nordland, Acting Administrator, Department of
Motor Vehicles

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:56:35 Rep. Milburn

00:57:29 Rep. Himmelberger

00:58:24 Rep. Vance

00:58:52 Rep. Himmelberger

00:59:03 Rep. Reinhart

00:59:37 Ms. Nordland

01:01:45 Rep. Reinhart

01:02:35 Ms. Nordland

01:03:48 Rep. Reinhart

01:03:57 Ms. Nordland

01:04:18 Rep. Reinhart

01:04:26 Ms. Nordland

01:05:00 Rep. Reinhart

01:05:21 Ms. Nordland

01:05:32 Rep. Reinhart

01:05:36 Ms. Nordland

01:05:42 Rep. Reinhart

01:05:48 Ms. Nordland

01:06:07 Rep. Reinhart

01:06:12 Ms. Nordland

01:07:38 Rep. Reinhart

01:07:41 Mr. VanHorssen

01:08:22 Rep. Reinhart

01:08:30 Mr. VanHorssen

01:09:45 Rep. Furey

01:11:18 Rep. Himmelberger

Closing by Sponsor:

01:13:36 Rep. Himmelberger

Announcements:

01:17:04 Chairman Wilson

ADJOURNMENT

01:17:41 Adjournment: 9:47 A.M.

SANTELLA BAGLIVO, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([buh20aad.pdf](#))